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REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending in the present application. In the Final Office Action mailed November 2, 2004, the Examiner again rejected claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Achtner (USP 6,489,591) and further in view of Lentz (USP 4,368,563). The Examiner failed to address claims 21-23.

In the Response filed August 19, 2004 (a courtesy copy being enclosed herewith), Applicant presented for examination new claims 21-23 which Applicant believes also define the present invention over the art of record. Applicant hereby requests reconsideration of the Remarks set forth in the Response of August 19, 2004, and entry and examination of claims 21-23 newly presented therein as is required under MPEP §707.07(i).

Applicant has herein amended claim 2 to correct a typographical error consisting of the omission of a period at the end of that claim. Applicant has also herein amended claim 20 to correct a typographical error at the end of that claim. For purposes of appeal, should the Examiner find the Remarks and the new claims presented in the Response of August 19, 2004 unpersuasive and/or unpatentable over the art of record, Applicant respectfully requests a Final Office Action clearly setting forth the grounds of rejection of each of the claims as is required under MPEP §707.07(i). Furthermore, to expedite disposition of the above captioned matter, Applicant requests that the amendments to the claims presented herein also be entered for purposes of appeal.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's consideration of these Remarks and cordially invites the Examiner to call the undersigned, should the Examiner consider any matters unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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